

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 9723, With an Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

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H. R. 9723

To establish the President’s Council on Sports, Fitness, and Nutrition, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 16, 2026

Mr. MACKENZIE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Workforce

A BILL

To establish the President’s Council on Sports, Fitness, and Nutrition, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Fit Future Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL ON SPORTS, FITNESS, AND**
2 **NUTRITION.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the
4 President's Council on Sports, Fitness, and Nutrition (re-
5 ferred to in this section as the "Council").

6 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—

7 (1) APPOINTMENTS.—The Council shall consist
8 of not more than 30 members appointed by the
9 President.

10 (2) MEMBERSHIP.—The members of the Coun-
11 cil may include representatives of relevant stake-
12 holders.

13 (3) TERMS.—A member of the Council—

14 (A) shall serve for a term of 2 years;

15 (B) shall be eligible for reappointment; and

16 (C) may continue to serve after the expira-
17 tion of the term described in subparagraph (A)
18 until the appointment of a successor.

19 (4) CHAIR; VICE CHAIR.—The President may
20 designate one or more of the members of the Council
21 to serve as the Chair or Vice Chair of the Council.

22 (c) FUNCTIONS OF COUNCIL.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Council shall—

24 (A) advise the President and Secretary of
25 Health and Human Services concerning

1 progress made in carrying out the provisions of
2 this section; and

3 (B) recommend to the President and Sec-
4 retary of Health and Human Services actions to
5 accelerate such progress.

6 (2) RECOMMENDATIONS.—In carrying out this
7 section, the Council shall recommend—

8 (A) strategies for implementing the Presi-
9 dential Fitness Test, with any appropriate im-
10 provements, as the main assessment tool for a
11 Presidential Fitness Award;

12 (B) strategies for the development and
13 promotion of adaptive physical fitness measures
14 and programs to help students develop lifelong
15 physically active habits;

16 (C) strategies for the promotion of Presi-
17 dential challenges and school-based programs
18 that reward excellence in physical education;

19 (D) bold and innovative fitness goals for
20 American youth with the aim of fostering a new
21 generation of healthy, active citizens;

22 (E) campaigns and events that elevate
23 American sports, military readiness, and health
24 traditions;

1 (F) actions and opportunities at the global,
2 national, State, and local levels that expand
3 participation in sports and engagement in phys-
4 ical fitness and that emphasize the importance
5 of an active lifestyle and good nutrition, includ-
6 ing partnerships with professional athletes,
7 sports organizations, players associations, influ-
8 ential figures, nonprofit organizations, and com-
9 munity groups to inspire all Americans;

10 (G) strategies to address the rising costs
11 associated with youth sports by expanding ac-
12 cess to nonprofit recreational and athletic op-
13 portunities;

14 (H) opportunities to increase participation
15 in sports and physical activities with the goal of
16 increasing availability of and access to rec-
17 reational sports and other physical activities, in-
18 cluding for youth with barriers to access, in-
19 cluding youth with disabilities;

20 (I) strategies to encourage participation in
21 a wide range of sports and physical activities
22 that support an active lifestyle to minimize
23 burnout, injuries, and early specialization in a
24 particular sport or activity; and

1 (J) strategies to address the growing na-
2 tional security threat posed by the increasing
3 rates of childhood obesity, chronic diseases, and
4 sedentary lifestyles, which threaten the future
5 readiness of the United States workforce and
6 military.

7 (d) ADMINISTRATION.—

8 (1) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.—The President
9 shall designate an Executive Director of the Council
10 who shall—

11 (A) manage day-to-day operations;

12 (B) serve as a liaison to the President and
13 the Secretary of Health and Human Services on
14 matters and activities pertaining to the Council;
15 and

16 (C) oversee engagement with executive de-
17 partments and agencies, athletic institutions,
18 and community partners.

19 (2) INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED BY DE-
20 PARTMENTS AND AGENCIES.—Each executive de-
21 partment and agency shall, to the extent permitted
22 by law and subject to the availability of funds, fur-
23 nish such information and assistance to the Council
24 as the Council may request.

1 (3) COMPENSATION.—Members of the Council
2 shall serve without compensation but may receive
3 travel reimbursement, including per diem in lieu of
4 subsistence, in accordance with applicable provisions
5 under subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, United
6 States Code, subject to the availability of funds.

7 (4) FUNDING; ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECH-
8 NICAL SUPPORT.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of
10 Health and Human Services shall provide such
11 funding and administrative and technical sup-
12 port as the Council may require, subject to ap-
13 propriations Acts.

14 (B) ADDITIONAL FUNDS.—The Council
15 may receive funds from the National Founda-
16 tion on Fitness, Sports, and Nutrition in ac-
17 cordance with the National Foundation on Fit-
18 ness, Sports, and Nutrition Establishment Act
19 (Public Law 111–332).

20 (5) SUBCOMMITTEES.—The Council may, with
21 the approval of the President, establish subcommit-
22 tees as appropriate to aid in the work of the Council.

23 (6) SEAL.—The Council shall modify the seal of
24 the “President’s Council on Physical Fitness and

1 Sports” to reflect the name of the Council as estab-
2 lished by subsection (a).

3 (7) FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACT.—To
4 the extent that chapter 10 of title 5, United States
5 Code (known as the “Federal Advisory Committee
6 Act”), may apply to the administration of this sec-
7 tion, any functions of the President under such
8 chapter, except that of reporting to the Congress,
9 shall be performed by the Secretary of Health and
10 Human Services in accordance with the guidelines
11 and procedures issued by the Administrator of Gen-
12 eral Services.

13 (e) TERMINATION.—The Council shall terminate on
14 a date designated by the President.